

In the Specification:

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 18, to page 8, line 6 to read as follows:

The polyester resin used in the invention is polylactic acid resin or resin mainly composed of polylactic acid (hereinafter they are collectively called “polylactic acid resin”). Any polylactic acid resin may be used irrespective of the degree of polymerization or quality. Further, the resin used in the invention is not limited to polylactic acid resin composed of homopolymer of polylactic acid but inclusive of homopolymer of polylactic acid that may be copolymerized with glycol acid, ϵ -caprolacton, trimethylene carbonate or polyethylene glycol. Other biodegradable polymers such as copolymers of varilite with acetylcellulose, polycaprolacton, polybutylene succinate or polyhydroxy butylate, as well as chitin, ~~chitoan~~ chitosan and starch ~~maybe~~ may be incorporated within a range so as not to affect the physical properties of polylactic acid resin.